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The News.

The 1st Congressional District of Maryland yesterday elected two delegates to the Charleston Convention, and passed resolutions strongly condemning Squatter Sovereignty.

Hon. Edward Bates has written a letter to the Missouri Delegates recently elected to the Chicago Convention, in which he defines his position upon the slavery question. A synopsis of the letter will be found in our telegraphic column.

Our telegraphic despatches contain a brief account of the capture of the Mexican steamers by the U. S. ship Saratoga, in the harbor of Vera Cruz.

There was a rather destructive fire at Milwaukie yesterday, burning some fourteen or fifteen buildings. The fire broke out on the corner of East Water and Wisconsin streets, and reaching to the Newhall House, which, at one time, was in imminent danger.

It is now ascertained that the unfortunate steamer Hungarian had 205 souls on board—125 passengers and 80 of crew—all of whom are without doubt lost. A list of her passengers will be found under our telegraph head.

The friends of Senator Bigler make a public denial that he ever pledged himself, as a delegate to the Charleston Convention, to vote for Mr. Douglas after the third ballot, if there should previously be no choice.

The removal of the Charleston Convention is still a leader discussion in Washington. The National Executive Committee may be convened next week, to take such action as will quiet the public mind upon the subject.

Mr. Fasos offered a resolution in the Senate yesterday that Congress adjourn from the 20th of April to the 20th of May. Objections were made to its introduction, and it lays over.

CHICAGO PRODUCE AND PROVISION TRADE.

The receipts and shipments of Produce, Live Stock, etc., during the past week will be found in the following comparative table:

	Receipts.			Shipments.		
	Past Week.	Prev. Week.	Aggregate.	Past Week.	Prev. Week.	Aggregate.
Flour, bbls.	8,551	7,356	3,347	5,553	10,005	1,577
Wheat, bush.	58,480	94,056	24,972	24,171	26,311	3,444
Corn, bu.	17,267	14,222	12,447	22,612	24,041	1,450
Oats, bu.	2,000	1,000	150	1,000	1,000	150
Barley, bu.	2,500	11,511	4,857	1,761	3,600	1,200
Rye, bu.	1,000	1,000	150	1,000	1,000	150
Live Hogs, No.	329	312	150			
Cattle, No.	1,343	1,366	704	1,343	1,366	704
Sheep, No.	1,807	1,966	1,264	1,807	1,966	1,264
Pork, bbls.	1,787	2,742	838	1,787	2,742	838
Lard, bbls.	52,415	53,305	412	111,767	53,964	52,250
Tallow, bbls.	1,000	1,000	150	1,000	1,000	150

FLOUR AND GRAIN IN STORE.

The following table shows the amount of Flour and Grain in store in this city on the 17th inst., compared with last year:

	March 17, 1860.	March 19, 1859.
Flour, bbls.	34,378	33,349
Wheat, bush.	494,319	301,617
Corn, bush.	16,547	328,151
Oats, bush.	2,000	3,467
Barley, bush.	4,000	1,211
Rye, bush.	1,000	1,000
Total Wheat, bu.	497,319	302,828
Corn, bu.	134,901	37,455
Oats, bu.	2,000	3,467
Barley, bu.	6,000	1,211
Rye, bu.	1,000	1,000
Total Grain, bu.	1,541,221	786,961

The above table shows the above table of imports, the receipts of nearly all kinds of produce have been much heavier during the past week, especially corn, the great increase in this cereal being by the Illinois and Michigan Canal.

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The Count is a man about 60 years of age, decidedly *bizarre* and often offensive in the dogmatic expression of his peculiar views. He belongs to the Athenæum Club, of 5th Avenue, and there reads the papers and takes his meals. On Tuesday evening last, Mr. Charles Briggs—the well known and able journalist who managed the N. Y. *Times* during Mr. Raymond's European tour—was dining at the Club, in company with Mr. James H. Van Alen, (one of our wealthier citizens, and the President of a City Republican Association), when Count Gurowski came in and at once started a political argument. After volunteering to censure the views of the former gentleman, he addressed himself personally to Mr. Van Alen, and, on the latter's mentioning the Constitution of the United States, bluntly told him that he (Van Alen) knew nothing of that instrument, and was unfitted to discuss it. To this, Van Alen made a sharp reply, when the Count brushed up, presented his card, hinted at satisfaction, &c., &c., but nothing of a pointedly hostile character took place.

On Wednesday forenoon, however, the Count sat breakfasting at the same place, when Mr. Van Alen, who had warmed up over night, came in, and the following spicy scene transpired:

VAN ALEN, *loquitur*—"I've been thinking over last night's matter, and have come to the conclusion that you grossly insulted myself and friend. Therefore, if you don't instantly apologize for your language, I shall proceed to chastise you."

THE COUNT—"As I haf say noting wrong, I haf nothing to make ze apology for."

Van Alen thereupon approaches the Count in a threatening manner. Gurowski picks up a carving-knife and advances on the defi-nave. His opponent whips him over the shoulders with a cane. The Count makes desperate lunges with the knife, which are rendered ineffectual by the exertions of the steward and others, who rush in and separate the combatants. Scrape closes with a very cool Commoner and a very enraged Count being led in opposite directions by their respective friends.

Whether this is to be the end, or whether the Count, who has fought over thirty duels, will insist on pistol-satisfaction, and whether, in the latter event, the American will meet his wishes in the premises, remains to be seen. It is estimated, however, that the members of the Athenæum Club, indignant at this and similar affairs, in which Gurowski has been prominent, will take the matter in hand and perhaps suspend him from their fellowship.

If the new style of bonnets has not yet been adopted by the Chicago ladies—the object of becoming used to its appearance is yet to be experienced—prepare your eyes for the most marked and ungraceful reaction from the dull, flat fashion that can be conceived. It is now the rule along Broadway, and those of us who love to look at the fair promenaders, and who were even envious enough to accuse them of reducing their bonnets to an unwarrantable littleness, cannot smile upon their daring attempt to revive the most unsightly hat of the last century. Small, little faces, that bloomed like a rose full a month ago, from the tiniest winter bonnets, now shrink into obscure homeliness, beneath ugly, towering peaks of straw and satin. The old style, unbeautiful as it may have been, had a certain power of imparting to ladies a more youthful charm, but the new mode metamorphoses our prettiest girls into old maids. So, at least, thinks your correspondent.

The trustees of the Astor Library, and others of the friends of Dr. Cogswell, alarmed at his newly developed powers as a seer, have induced him to take a trip to Charleston, S. C., in the hope that he will return no longer determined to have ghostly assistance when he works upon his catalogue at nights. Should he prove, however, that long application to study has impaired his stability as a Librarian, some other Bibliopole will be elected to the position, and I shall be seen from the above-table of imports, the receipts of nearly all kinds of produce have been much heavier during the past week, especially corn, the great increase in this cereal being by the Illinois and Michigan Canal.

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From Pike's Peak.

Our correspondent at Pike's Peak, Mr. J. F. Van de Venter, returned to this city on Saturday last, to purchase and take back to the land of gold, more machinery, his company being pioneers in introducing to the mines a general outfit from Chicago. Mr. Van de Venter left Auraria on the 7th inst. and reached here on Saturday. He came by Russell's Express to Leavenworth, and thence by way of St. Joseph to this city. From Mr. V. we get facts that substantiate beyond question the richness and almost unbounded resources of the mining country at Pike's Peak, and the almost sure success of those who go there with the proper machinery and outfits.

Mr. V. brought with him orders for Quartz Mills from several companies, and he also has the names of fifteen or twenty companies more, who will order machinery as fast as they can turn their present earnings and other effects into cash. The general feeling of the miners is to pay as they go, and not to get into debt, if it be possible to avoid it. This will keep up a healty state of affairs throughout the mines.

Mr. V. will remain in town for a few days at the solicitation of his friends and others who feel interested in quartz mining, and will be glad to be consulted by all who anticipate going to the mines. He thinks he can give them information in regard to outfits, machinery, manner of going, route to take, &c., which will be of use. He can be seen at the office of P. W. Gates & Co. for a few days.

THE CITY.

SPIRITUALISM.—Miss Hulett will lecture at the Mechanics Institute at 7½ this evening.

DISCHARGED.—F. R. Wilson, charged with perjury, was brought up yesterday and discharged.

CHESS.—Our chess playing friends will be glad to learn that Staunton's "Chess Praxis" may now be bought at McNally & Co.'s 81 Dearborn street.

THE INAUGURATION.—The inauguration of the incoming city officers will take place to-morrow afternoon at Metropolitan Hall. The galleries will be exclusively reserved for the ladies.

HOOLEY & CAMPBELL'S MINSTRELS.—If you wish to enjoy yourselves and laugh away dull care, don't fail to hear the Minstrels at Metropolitan Hall to-night. Their performers they stand at the head of their profession. They will give but six entertainments here.

BURGLARY.—The saloon No. 480 State street, kept by Oliver P. Chappell, was entered on Sunday night, two weeks ago, by some one, and the money, valuable cigars, two pieces of dress silk and a quantity of clothing taken therefrom.

SONS OF MASSACHUSETTS.—All the sons of the Old Bay State, now residents of Chicago, are invited to meet at the Tremont House, on Friday evening, the 23d, to make arrangements for the accommodation of the Delegations from Massachusetts to the National Republican Convention.

THE LEIB CASE.—The case of Charles Leib, arrested for an assault on B. F. Mayers, editor of the *Saturday Evening Bureau*, was brought up yesterday, and at the instance of Mr. Mayers, the case was dismissed, and Mr. Leib discharged.

PASTORAL CHANGE.—We learn that the Rev. R. W. Henry, for some time past pastor of the South Presbyterian Church, has accepted a call from New York City with a salary of $3,000, Mr. Henry, in his stay among us, has made many warm friends, whose sympathy will go with him to his enlarged sphere of usefulness.

☞ The undersigned dry goods merchants, will close their places of business to-morrow, from ten until two o'clock, during the funeral obsequies of the late Governor of State:

Wm. M. Ross & Co., W. M. Laraway, Stryker T Co., Philip Conley, A. G. Downs & Co., P. Palmer, A. Graves, W. R. Wood & Co., T. B. Carter, A. Bigelow & Co.

OPPOSITION TICKET—YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.—At a meeting of the Young Men's Association, held at their rooms on the evening of the 20th inst., for the purpose of nominating an opposition ticket, F. D. Owen, Esq., was called to the Chair, and C. A. Gregory, Esq., was chosen Secretary.

A committee, raised for the purpose, reported the following list of officers for the ensuing year:

President—W. H. BRADLEY, Clerk of the U. S. Court.
1st Vice President—B. F. LAYER.
2d " " —C. C. BLATCHFORD.
Corresponding Secretary—A. A. GREGORY.
Recording Secretary—CHAS. W. BOSI.
Treasurer—GEO. SCHNEIDER.
Managers—W. H. GUILD, A. J. AVERILL, Geo. Howland, Jas. Reed, Geo. W. CLARKE, Chas. Kellogg, C. B. Farwell.

The report was unanimously adopted.

We are informed that the platform of this ticket is opposition to the present mode of obtaining books from the library, and economy—a fair remuneration to employees, nothing more.

AN INSANE WOMAN AT LARGE.—Mrs. Sarah Libbits, who is laboring under a fit of insanity, arrived in town yesterday morning in charge of a friend, on her way from Benton County, Iowa, to Armada, Macomb County, Mich., where her friends live. She had made several attempts to escape on her way here, and while her attendant was procuring tickets at the office in the Michigan Central depot, she made her escape from the car, and although he was gone but a moment, all attempts to find her had proved unsuccessful up to a late hour last evening. Any information left at the Marshal's office will be thankfully received, as it is feared she may attempt her life, which she has tried to do several times. She is about thirty years old, with black hair cut short, blue eyes, and was dressed in a brown merino dress, with a brown and white check sun-bonnet, and long black cloth cloak. She has marks on her neck made by an attempt to cut her throat.

Industrial Association.

A general meeting of the Association will be held on Thursday evening, March 22d, at 7½ o'clock, at the Common Council Room in the Court House, for the choice of officers. All citizens who are interested in the movement are invited to join the Society at that time and take part in the election.

The following extracts from the Articles of Association, show the purposes of the Society:

1. The undersigned, citizens of Chicago and vicinity, believing that the wealth and material prosperity of a community depends in a great measure upon the development of home industry, and that our own city possesses great advantages in its local and geographical position for the employment of a large variety of large working population, hereby unite in a Society to be called the Chicago Industrial Association.

2. Its object shall be the collection and publication of useful information relating to the employment of productive labor in its various forms of manufactures and agriculture, with a view to the advancement of our interests as a producing community.

3. Its officers shall be a President, First and Second Vice Presidents, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, one or more Corresponding Secretaries, and an Executive Board consisting of the President, Recording Secretary and seven Directors.

4. The general object of the Society, stated in Art. 2d, shall be furthered by public discussions at meetings of the Society, by correspondence, and in such other ways as the Association or the Executive Board may determine; but especially by the investigations and reports of such committees of inquiry as may from time to time be appointed by the Executive Board for the examination of special subjects.

16. Any person may become a member of the Association by subscribing his name to the list of members, and the payment of one dollar into the treasury on joining, and the same sum at the beginning of each fiscal year of the Society thereafter.

The following gentlemen were appointed a temporary Executive Committee, to serve until the first meeting for choice of officers: W. B. Egan, Charles Walker, R. K. Swift, Reuben Taylor, Robert Law, J. V. Farwell, John C. Haines, G. A. Springer, P. W. Gates, W. W. Boyington, D. L. Boone, G. W. Gage, C. G. Hammond, S. S. Greeley.

SAMUEL S. GREELEY, *Sec'y pro tem.*

☞ H. W. Andrews, dealer in Wall Paper and Window Shades, has removed to store No. 108 Lake street, between Dearborn and Clark streets, where has been beautifully fitted up for this business. Persons in want of his kind of goods should by all means make their selections at his establishment. fe21 1m

Honor to the Illustrious Dead.

THE OBSEQUIES OF HON. WM. H. BISSELL

The Observance of the Day in Chicago.

THE MILITARY—THE COURTS.

THE DELEGATION TO SPRINGFIELD.

To-day is the occasion appointed at the Capital of the State for paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of the late Governor of this Commonwealth.

The delegation from this city, chiefly military who will participate in the pageant is a large one. Excursion trains are to be run by both roads, the Chicago and St. Louis, and the Ill. Central.

The entire military delegation from this city, including staff officers, amounts to about 900 men. Every company will be represented. The Cadets will number fifty muskets. The delegation will be accompanied by the Light Guard Band, numbering fifteen pieces.

The staff officers and commandants of Gen. Swift's Brigade, met at the Tremont House last evening at 7 o'clock, and were thence escorted to the St. Louis Depot by the Zouave Cadets.

ACTION IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

Yesterday morning at the opening of the Superior Court, K. S. Williams, Esq., paid a glowing and eloquent tribute to the memory of the deceased, and the Court caused the following order to be enrolled upon the records of the Court:

The Court will cordially unite with the Bar in paying the proposed honors to the memory of His Excellency, Gov. WILLIAM H. BISSELL.

His eminent public services in this State, in the midst of us and in the councils of the nation; his distinguished military career in defence of the rights of our country, as well as his pure and elevated private character all deserve this tribute of affection to his memory. But in addition to all these, it is eminently right and proper that the members of the Bar should testify their respect for one so nationally honored. He was our professional brother, and as a member of that profession, of which we are all proud, he has contributed his full share to its honor and renown. His reflected lustre upon us all; and if for this alone, his memory is entitled to our lasting gratitude and respect.

THE OBSERVANCE OF TO-DAY.

It will be remembered that at a large meeting of citizens held on Monday evening, in view of the solemn event, it was recommended as follows:

That the bells of this city be tolled at the hour of the funeral obsequies, and that our national flag be displayed at half-mast and and draped in mourning, for the 23d, and that arrangements be made to close their places of business and drape them with mourning from 10 to 2 P. M., and that we wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

THE DELEGATION TO SPRINGFIELD.

Last evening a large delegation left this city by the St. Louis, Alton and Chicago Railroad, to attend the funeral obsequies at Springfield today. Among those in the delegation were Gen. Swift and his staff, Judge Barron, W. L. Church, Alderman R. H. Foss, the full company of Zouave Cadets, and delegations from all the other military organizations of the city. The extra train embraced six cars, which were all filled.

SWEDISH MEETING.

At a meeting of the Swedish Republican Club of the city of Chicago, held at their room, last night, on motion of C. Hallgren, the appointment of three, composed of the following gentlemen, C. J. Sundell, C. Charleston, and C. Gothe, was appointed by the Chair to draft resolutions, doing honor to the memory of Gov. Bissell.

The following resolution was reported and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we have heard with deep-felt sorrow and regret of the death of the highly esteemed, beloved and gallant leader of many battles in the cause of freedom and humanity, His Excellency, the Governor of this State, Wm. H. Bissell, and that the Swedish citizens of the city of Chicago, in common with the whole community, tender their heart-felt sympathies to his bereaved family and the State at large, and, that we appreciate the due propriety of solemnizing his obsequies.

JOHN A. NELSON, President.
FRANCIS E. JOCHNICK, Secretary.

Sixth Annual Report of the Board of Education—President Haven's Report.

Nothing but the pressure upon our space in our last issue, would have induced us to defer the extended notice due the able and excellent report of Luther Haven, Esq., President of the Board of Education, proof sheets of which had kindly been furnished us. It is a document worthy the head and the heart of the writer, in the features we shall append in full.

First it is justly and most gratifying fact, that for our schools as they are to-day, neither the Board nor the city owe one dollar. Our new and elegant buildings, finished and furnished in the best manner, with all the modern improvements in furniture, and most of them in heating, unincumbered with debts, hands over to its successors, as a legacy to coming generations, showing, in a measure, our appreciation of the value of public schools.

The following is given as the value of our

SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

High School	$35,000
Dearborn School House	5,000
Jones School House	5,000
Jones School House (Branch)	1,200
Scammon	5,000
Kinzie	5,000
Franklin	4,000
Ogden	20,000
Newberry	5,000
Washington	5,000
Brown	1,200
Foster	20,000
Foster (Branch	1,200
Webster	4,000
Nos. 9	4,000
Nos. 10	4,000
Total valuation of School Buildings	$111,400

The total value of School grounds is $134,300, of School Furniture and Fixtures, $18,198, a total of $253,898.

Appropriate reference is made to the noble school edifice, erected during the past year in the West Division, and to the necessity of a new building in the South Division. Thence the Report passed to discuss important educational topics as follows, we claiming the captions as our own:

"THE SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS."

The laws of this State require all towns and cities make provisions for the education of children over five years of age and under twenty-one.—The question has been agitated to some extent, whether the evils of admitting children to the forming classes at our earliest grades of public schools, at the tender age of five years, is counter-balanced by the advantages gained by this early admission. Our school rooms have really become forcing houses for young minds, with all the modern appliances of improved school books, pictures, slates and black-boards, with teachers from our normal schools, ready and willing, and sure to teach these little ones in an incredibly short space of time, the names, sounds and combinations of the letters of our language, together with a host of other things too numerous to mention; all this requiring the highest exercise of memory, comparison and reflection, far too severe for minds so young to undergo with impunity. The result of such training is, too often, a prodigy in intellectual attainments, in baby-hood; one fitted for college honors or for business in early childhood,—but in early manhood, too often an enfeebled mind in a worn out and wasted body. Had this Board the power to exclude all under six years of age from our school rooms, future generations would thank us for using it, and more vigorous minds in more vigorous bodies would be the result.

Children, at the tender age of five years, cannot with impunity be subjected to the discipline of our public schools. The necessary confinement of a well regulated school room, will, in too many instances, engender deformities and diseases, to be carried through a life of sorrow and of suffering. Girls suffer more in this respect than boys; they have less out-door exercise; they are less prone to breathe the tonic and to obey nature. The customs of society sanction a greater variety and more vigorous exercise for the latter sex than for the girls, while that same custom gives far too little and too gentle for either. A change must be brought about, or a nation of dwarfs and invalids will be the result.

These remarks do not apply so much to the country as they do the cities and towns where the schools are kept up during the greater part of the year. As an introduction for the girls, which must sooner or later take place, I would suggest the propriety of applying to the next Legislature for a law authorizing the cities and towns that keep up yearly schools, to regulate the age of admission, as shall, to the guardians of those schools, seem best. In Germany, Switzerland and Austria, none under six are admitted to the free schools. The same is true of many of our own cities and towns.

The estimates required in this report in the over-taxing of pupils while in school. This is a serious evil; an evil that has been gradually growing upon the schools of our country, and requiring at the hands of those having charge of them, the most watchful care and attention. Boards of Educations and committees are held responsible to the public for the amount of labor accomplished in the school room; teachers are held responsible to their employers for the same thing, and their success is measured by the amount "extracted from childish brains," regardless of the almost forgotten fact, that children have a physical as well as an intellectual existence. Then comes the stimulus of marks, rewards, emulation between pupils of the same school, and classes of different schools, urged on by teachers whose pay and position depend upon the most done in the shortest possible time, and too often the urging and encouraging of fond parents and friends; and all combined, keep the mind of the child up to the highest pitch of intellectual attainment. What wonder, then, that under all these spurs and incentives to labor, to many break down in early childhood? What wonder, that we see in our school rooms so many pale, wan cheeks, where we should look for rosy health? What wonder, that we oftener see in the school room than elsewhere, the curved spine, the depressed chest, the worn and faded and sickly forms of those who should be erect, with full expanded chests, and all crowned with vigorous and joyous health?

Six hours of hard intellectual labor, in the school room, is as much as the most vigorous man long endure, and this for the time our schools are in session—ten months in the year—would break down many robust and healthy men. What, then, must become of that class in our schools, and the number is not small, who are feeble and delicate and sickly? As a nation, intellectually, we are making rapid strides. If we have not found the royal road to learning, we have found all the short ones, and all the means of rapid progress on them. But physically we are, as a people, degenerating. Machinery is doing much of the labor of the land; manly sports are out of date and ignored, and we are fast becoming a nation of pigmies in body, but giants in mind, especially in childhood. This ought not to be; education is our day, should give well-balanced, well-disciplined, and well-developed minds—minds, prepared to think, to reason, to determine, in strong, healthy and vigorous bodies.

A NATIONAL EVIL.

The modern writer who endeavored to show that murder was one of the "Fine Arts," must have had in mind an American school room, where the Board of Education, teachers and parents, are all endeavoring, in the most refined and genteel way, to render valueless or extinguish the lives of those placed in their charge. The tyrant who gave orders for the destruction of all the first-born of his dominions has justly been regarded as a monster of cruelty, and his name has been anathematized for the past 1800 years, and will be to the end of time. What measure of condemnation should then be meted out to those, who, in a less wholesale way, not with the intention, to be sure, but no less effectually, to destroy, not only the first born of the land, but all, from five years old and upward? More than half of the children born die before the age of eighteen; how many of them die of education, it may be difficult accurately to determine; but that many of them are *educated out of existence*, and others suffer from this same fearful malady, none who are visitors to our school rooms, and are observers of what they there see, will for a moment doubt. Horace Mann said, years ago, and the evil has been constantly on the increase since, that, so far as the body is concerned, "our schools provide for all the natural tendencies to physical *ease* and *inactivity*, as carefully as though paleness and languor, muscular emervation and debility, were held to be constituent elements of national beauty." And such is the case; a languid and sickly body, bending in childhood under the weight of mental labor that would crush most persons of mature years, is regarded as "interesting," "promising," "beautiful," if from that same wan, worn body, on examination day, some favorite of fortune's favors, in Mathematics, Astronomy, and the higher Mathematics, all in the enunciation of every word, syllable and letter, in exact accordance with Worcester and Webster.

If it be true, as a prominent and faithful laborer in the cause of public education once asserted, that "a pure mind in a pure body is as much at war with Nature as a guilty soul is at war with the spirit of God," and if over-tasking the mind in childhood tends to destroy or imjure the constitution of the body, then surely no Board of Education can be guiltless if they permit any over-tasking in the schools under their charge, on any pretence whatever. "Strict discipline and hard study" are the only certain grounds of success; but that discipline and study should only last during the five, or at most, six hours that the pupils are in the room, and then the books should be cast aside, and the balance of the day devoted to hard physical labor, athletic sports, exercises of such kind as bodily exercise as shall tend to harden and develop the muscular system. It should not be understood that our own schools are especially guilty in the respects above, but a reform in them is needed, and that less hard mental labor should be required, and more attention given to the physical superstructure, is the conviction we are forced to entertain. I cannot but commend this subject, not only to the Board of Education of this city, but to all having charge of educational institutions—the evil is a national one.

LOCAL MATTERS.

☞ Go to John Jones, 119 Dearborn street and get your clothes cleaned and repaired. They will be well done and at prices to suit the times.

SEVENTH WARD SEWARD CLUB.—At a meeting held last Saturday at the Hall of F. Frillman, North Wells street, an auxiliary club was formed, and the following officers chosen: Henry Gohl, President; for whom Henry Schneider, Vice-President; Philipp Steinmuller, Secretary; Nathan Fischer, Corresponding Secretary; Henry Hinzel, Treasurer. Also, a Standing Committee of five for ninety-seven wards, viz: Henry Hehl, Wm. Kusler, John Muller, Fritz Frillman and Conrad Koepfli.

KINGSFORD'S CORN STARCH is delicious for Puddings, Blanc Mange, Cake, &c. Also Pure Starch for the Laundry, sold by MAURAN & WRIGHT. mh19 2t 142 So. Clark street.

WHAT THE PUBLIC SAY.—Use none but Singer's Sewing Machines, for they are the best manufactured. Their many merits entitle them to the distinction of being used by all classes and in all avocations. The accuracy and certainty with which they sew garments of all descriptions is ensuring a large daily sale of the Tailoring Machine at this agency. A call at the exhibition room, 66 Lake street, will convince any that what we say is true. Them no empty compliment, for they force the truth of even the most extravagant laudation by their work. mch17-6t

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☞ Grover & Baker's celebrated Double Speeded Shuttle Sewing Machine, for Tailors, Cap Makers, Boot and Shoe Uppers, Hat Manufacturers, Saddle and Harness Makers, &c., at greatly reduced prices. Heavy Double Speeded Shuttle Sewing Machines, $50.00 Binders, Extra, $5.00. W. G. MASON, Agent, No. 115 Lake Street, Chicago.

DIED.

In Lemont, Cook County, Ill., JOHN KETTERING, aged 47 years, 1 month and 1 day.

Lebanon County, Pa., and Harrisburg, Pa., papers please copy.

NOTICE.—There will be an Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Garden City Building Association on Wednesday evening the 28th day of March, at the office of the secretary, No. 160 South Clark street, at which time there will be an election of officers for the ensuing year. L. O. HALL, Secretary.
mh19 16t&w

FINE FAMILY CARRIAGE for Sale at Tiffany's Stable, rear of Tremont House. Inquire for JOHN DOYLE. This Carriage originally cost $600 and can now be had for $400, and is in good repair. mh17-18d-6t

FOR THE LADIES.—Go to Hooper & Fox, No. 87 Lake street, and purchase some of the beautiful Flowers they have for sale. mh17-5t&w 1w

SECOND-HAND FURNITURE. Any person having Second Hand Furniture to lease on account of a contemplated journey, "J. M." through the Post Office. mh13 1w

MERCHANDISE WANTED.—Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, and Hardware to the amount of from $10,000 to $20,000 desired in exchange for Property. Dry Property, Farming Lands, Stock, Notes, &c., &c. Address P. O. Box 918. mh10 2m

PLANTS, TREES, FLOWERS, &c.—The evening each things will do well to call and see my choice assortment. Greenhouses and Grounds on Lake View Plank Road; Depot Town, 40 cents by cars or stages, where my patrons can find Bequets, and samples of plants and flowers. EUGENE SAUNDERS.
mh19 1w Lake View Flower Garden, Chicago, Ill.

OIL PAINTING.—Mrs. Blain will give instruction in Landscape Painting at her rooms, No. 79 South Clark street. mh19 2t

RARE CHANCE—ONLY A FEW LEFT. PARTIAL CAPITAL REQUIRED. For sale, one half interest of the right of the State of Illinois for a valuable invention, already introduced, and selling well. Most liberal terms. City property or Farming Lands will be taken in part payment. Apply to JOHN A. NICHOLS, No. 1 Madison Terrace. mh19

PASSOVER BREAD.—The undersigned having received the contract of manufacturing the Passover Bread from the Congregation K. A. M. of this city, begs leave to announce to the Israelites in the Western country that he is prepared to fill orders of the above article, at the following rates per pound, (and upon not be limited.) Orders sent to his address will meet with prompt attention. THOMAS THOMSON, Agent.
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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1860.

MR. LINCOLN BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

We continue to receive, by letter and otherwise, from the Eastern States, the most flattering encomiums on Mr. Lincoln's recent efforts in behalf of the Republican cause in New York and New England. "As able lawyer in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., says: "We, in the "Empire State, are for Mr. Seward for the "Chicago nomination; but it is a fact, which "I, in common with hundreds of others, am "daily impressed with, that Abe Lincoln can "poll more votes in *New York* than any other "man in the party, and that he can combine a "greater strength in New Jersey, Pennsylva"nia, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois than any "other. He has a clean record: he has "made no enemies; he has no elements "to place us on the defensive; he is "emphatically one of the people, and he "will run like a wild-cat." An eminent physician of this city, recently returned from New England, informs us that a perfect Lincoln *furore* has been created there, and that if he should be nominated for the Presidency the Harrison campaign of 1840 would be enacted again with like enthusiasm and like results. From all parts of Illinois we are advised that the people are coming *en masse* both to the Decatur and the Chicago Conventions, to present the merits of their candidate, and to urge earnestly and respectfully his nomination.

Perhaps nothing more clearly demonstrates Mr. Lincoln's strength before the people than the fact that the friends of each candidate for the Presidency designate him as the best man for Vice President. The friends of Mr. Seward are zealously anxious to have his name on the ticket for that office; "Cameron and Lincoln" has been the cry of the Cameron men ever since the movement for the former gentleman was put on foot; "Read and Lincoln" has been, and is still, a favorite classification in many circles; "Banks and Lincoln" is another arrangement which has been seriously talked of in Massachusetts. And not only so, but "Old Abe" seems to be the *second* choice of almost everybody with whom he is not the first choice, for the Pres dency. If it is deemed incpedient to nominate Mr. Seward the Seward men are almost unanimously for Lincoln; if Mr. Bates cannot secure the requisite strength the Bates men are for Lincoln; if Mr. Chase is out of the question his friends are decidedly for Lincoln. Finally, it is conceded almost everywhere that if Mr. Douglas should chance to receive the Charleston nomination Mr. Lincoln would assuredly be selected as the candidate to beat him. The fact that he received nearly 5,000 more votes than Mr. Douglas in this State two years ago, when the latter had the advantage of a free soil attitude before the people, and traveled largely on the sympathy of Republicans in the Eastern States, is taken as conclusive of his ability to grapple the Little Giant in a National contest. Though the prospect of Mr. Douglas receiving the Charleston nomination is a very dim one, and growing more precarious every day, the prominence lately accorded to Mr. Lincoln as the most fitting candidate to oppose him before the people, is the highest political compliment that could be paid him.

These are some of the evidences of Mr. Lincoln's strength before the people. We submit that they should have their due weight with the Chicago Convention.

AT WAR WITH MEXICO.

No doubt our readers yesterday morning were startled by the dispatches in our columns which announced that two Mexican steamers had, after a brief action, off Vera Cruz, been compelled to surrender to the U. S. steamer Saratoga!

Is this Republic at war with Mexico? If so, by whose act? Congress, the war-making power in our Government, has made no declaration. What then does it mean that the news flies all over the country that hostilities have already commenced, and that two steamers of the enemy have been captured? By what authority has the President, the Secretary of the Navy and Commodore Jarvis usurped the power which the Constitution reposes in Congress alone, and precipitated this country into a conflict with a government with which no man knows we had just cause of quarrel? What great public exigency has demanded this usurpation? Has our fleet in the Gulf—strong well manned and equipped—been attacked by the Mexicans? Have our merchantmen been overhauled and robbed on the high sea? Have our national representatives in Mexico been attacked, plundered, murdered, that such a retribution should follow; or have the exigencies of the pro-Slavery party—distracted by heresy and torn by faction—demanded this extraordinary proceeding as the quickest, easiest, cheapest and safest method of bringing on hostilities, by which the party may be consolidated at home; and by which, at the outcome, more slave territory, as "indemnity for the past and security for the future, may be added to the national domain?

Congress, now in session, will we venture to say, demand an answer to a few interrogatories like these. We exhort the Republicans of that body to a fearless discharge of of their duty in the premises, that the causes and objects of the war now begun may be opened to the bottom! Let them ask what are the provocations which have so unceremoniously opened the conflict, or if no provocations can be shown, what treason the President and his advisers are willing to dare, that the pro-Slavery party may gain have a chance of success?

ORDER OF SUCCESSION.

The death of Gov. BISSELL makes Lieut. Gov. WOOD the occupant of the Executive Chair for the unexpired portion of Gov. Bissell's term. The Senate will, if called together before new State officers are elected by the people, be compelled to choose a Senator as Speaker. In the event of the death or resignation of Gov. Wood, the Speaker so chosen will fill his place. Our Constitution evidently contemplates that the Speaker of the Senate, whether he be elected by the people or chosen in the Senate Chamber, shall be the successor of the Governor in case of death or removal of the latter. As the Senate has eight members over and above the number necessary for a quorum, and hence has that number who may be called to the Speakership and thence to the Governor's chair, it is hardly possible that the State will ever be left without an Executive head. If Gov. Wood should decline to assume the duties which the Constitution imposes, and resign, the Secretary of State could by Proclamation call the Senate together for naming his successor.

GOV. BISSELL'S RELIGION.

The Chicago *Democrat* is mistaken in saying that Gov. Bissell was a member of the Catholic Church. During his protracted illness in Washington, he was frequently visited by the priests of that sect of which his estimable lady is a member; but we have the best of reasons for believing that he never professed belief in their theology. We judge that the Governor was inclined to Unitarianism and that of the liberal sort. His faith, whatever it might have been, was with him rarely a subject of conversation. It manifested itself in a life of rare freedom from the faults and follies by which men of less perfect moulds are overborne.

THEY HAVE BEGUN.

Hearing the nomination of Banks the pro slavery newspapers have already begun to cast filth at that distinguished gentleman. The latest story is that he did not emancipate his slaves, as his friends have asserted, but that they ran away from him in consequence of cruel treatment. The facts are these: Mr. Banks not only set his negroes free, but provided each with an outfit for his new position of freedom and responsibility. One of them is now a minister of the Gospel in Liberia—a much respected and useful man, and all we are informed have made good use of their former owner's liberality.

A WORD FOR THE HERALD.

We are disposed to treat all our cotemporaries with proper respect; but the Chicago *Herald* need not be surprised to learn that we have little patience with the Fugitive Slave Law nor with the journals that defend it. As Republicans, and as law abiding men, we are bound by that provision of the Constitution of the country by which the return of fugitives from labor or justice is made imperative. We have no desire to disavow our obligation to see to it that our acts and influence do not clash with what the fundamental law has ordained in this respect. As individuals, as members of a great political organization, and as journalists, we have no intention to shirk any responsibility which the Constitution imposes, nor to advise others to do so. But all this does not imply that that atrocious statute called the Fugitive Slave Law has any claim to our favorable regard. We loathe and abhor it; not exclusively as the instrument by which men are dragged back to slavery from which they have escaped; but as that bad enactment by which new and illegal tribunals are constituted, by which the right of trial by jury is denied, and by which, also, the personal liberty of any man, may, without crime of his own, be taken away. If the *Herald* believes that such a statute was contemplated by the men who framed the Constitution of the country and the Bill of Rights, we can only put its credulity on a par with its belief in that dogma of the Supreme Court that "negroes have no rights that white men are bound to respect." The one is the complement of the other. As long as the Constitution commands the return of fugitives, Republicans must be content to see a Fugitive Slave Law on the statute-books. But as long as a desire for justice, for the preservation of personal liberty, and for the independence and self-respect of Northern white men, are the basis of political organization, all men, not sodden with pro-slavery guilt, must wish that the law now in force, may be so amended and improved that it will not breed a mob whenever and wherever its execution is attempted.

CHARLESTON CONVENTION.

The scheme concocted by the National Democratic Committee to terrify Charleston landlords into a reduction of their prices, will probably be without effect. Those extortioners know very well that the Cincinnati Convention of 1856, designated Charleston as the next place of meeting; and that no Committee cannot undo the Convention's work. Unless the Committee are willing to assume authority which they have not, all talk of a change is simply for cheapening bread and butter.

Destructive Fire at Havana, Ill.

The Havana *Squatter Sovereign*, of Saturday, gives the particulars of the burning of the mammoth grain warehouse in that town, owned by Waterman & Ryan, of St. Louis, a brief mention of which we received by telegraph a few days since. The building, with about 100,000 bushels of grain, was entirely destroyed. The fire is supposed to have been occasioned by sparks from the steamer Sam Gaty, while taking on freight at the warehouse. A large number of farmers are said to be sufferers by this calamity, having stored considerable quantities of grain in the building. It was the largest warehouse of the kind on the Illinois river, and was insured for $10,000.

Important Movement of the Southern Democracy.

"Occasional," of Forney's Philadelphia *Press*, writes as follows, under date of Washington, March 14th:

"A rumor, which I am disposed to believe, after thorough inquiry, is in circulation in this city, to the effect that the Administration has advised and will support the secession of the Southern delegates from the Charleston Convention should Douglas be nominated. *A Cabinet minister is said to have stated in the distinguished Southern Democrat, two or three days ago, that this scheme was arranged and he did and Assistant to add that it was so far matured as probable that the South would take possession of the Union Constitutional Convention, which is to assemble at Baltimore on the 9th of May, in order to array the Southern people against Douglas, should he succeed in overcoming his opponents in the National Convention.* You need not be surprised if this project is carried out. That is in contemplation I do not doubt."

The Proposed Conference of Southern States.

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Herald*, under date of the 16th inst., writes:

There was a conference of the Representatives of South Carolina, Mississippi and Alabama on night, upon the subject of the proposed conference for a Southern Convention, to come off in June next. The invitation came from representatives from South Carolina, the Legislature of that State having suggested it. Some of the Southern States decline to participate in it, Virginia among the number. Mississippi and Alabama gave in their adhesion at once. Subject of consultation was to decide upon some plan by which an attendance might be most conveniently secured, in case it was determined to carry out the idea. The whole subject was discussed at considerable length, and it is understood there was a strong expression of opinion against it. No definite action, however, was had upon the matter. It will be resumed at their next meeting, which will be held in a day or two.

South Carolina, it will be recollected, initiated the movement. Virginia declines to participate in it, and Mississippi and Alabama approved it, and arranged for the appointment of delegates, but the South Carolina Legislature adjourned without any such action. Although no formal proposition was adopted, the majority incline to the opinion that the Governor of South Carolina should assemble the Legislature of that State to select delegates, and of this we will probably soon be informed.

WESTERN NEWS.

Mr. Haven, of Alton, while walking from that city to Monticello, on Friday evening last, was met by two men, knocked down, and robbed of his watch and about $30 in money....Charles James, a smart, intelligent lad of 15 years, who carried the mails from Metropolis to Golconda, in this State, was drowned on the 7th inst., while attempting to cross the Rocky Ford, half a mile from the mouth of Big Bay Creek, which is about ten miles from Golconda. A boy named Aaron Robertson, son of Hugh Robertson, of Golconda, disappeared from his father's house last winter, and the family supposed he had run away, and gone to parts unknown. Last Sunday his body was found in Lusk Creek, near Golconda. He had gone to skate, and when his body was found, the skates were on his feet.... The Kalamazoo *Gazette* says that the peach buds at Kalamazoo and in that vicinity, are killed.... The Ionian (Mich.) *Journal* says that the maple sugar prospects are very poor in that vicinity. Thus far there has been but very little made, although preparations had been made for a large yield.... The citizens of La Crosse, (Wis.) are compelled to close their schools at the end of the present term, which will expire in about one week, owing to the want of the necessary funds to carry them on.

GRAND RAPIDS AND INDIANA RAILROAD.—A new system of obtaining pledges has been devised, viz: The subscriber agrees to pay ten dollars when the track, complete, is laid continuously from Sturgis to Kalamazoo, or from Kalamazoo to Grand Rapids, as the case may be. Under the arrangement large sums are being subscribed, and a basis is being laid which makes the completion of the work within a year or eighteen months entirely certain. The construction of this road will enable the citizens of Grand Rapids to reach Kalamazoo by a passage of only 45 miles, which will be done in two hours.—*Kalamazoo Gazette*, 16th.

BUILDING IN MARQUETTE.—We mentioned in our last the contemplated erection of a spacious Hotel in our village the coming season. We hear of a great number of other buildings to go up as soon as the season opens, and among them several which will be an ornament to the town. Indeed for some of them ground has already been broken. Mr. Gay has, we believe, gotten his foundation laid for a tasty residence under the bluff on the north side of the harbor, where he will have a commanding view of the Bay. Mr. Geffney is about to erect another along side of him. Others are to be erected on the top of the bluff. Mr. Maynard, we understand, has secured for one in the finished part of the town, to be finished in a style worthy so conspicuous a position. There are to be stores opened both upon and under the bluff. Many others are making calculations to build, and some of them are preparing. Beyond a doubt, quite a change will be wrought in the aspect of our town in the course of the season. —*Marquette Journal*, 14th.

SEED BRIGHTENING.—There seems to be a good feeling prevailing here in anticipation of the approaching business season. There is a general expectation of a very large increase of business over last year's. Everything of course depends upon the demand for ore and pig iron, and, from all we can learn it is to be largely increased. Mr. Peck says the last season's shipments of the Jackson Company amounting to twenty-five thousand tons, had all been disposed of before he left Cleveland. When we were there about the time of the closing of navigation, last fall, there was an immense pile of ore upon their dock, and the idea that it should all be cleared out so early, seemed a very remote one to us. But it seems to have all passed into the hands of consumers long ago. We do not see the reason to fear of the shipments of the other companies, and we should not wonder if a demand should come down upon them all which, with all the appliances at their command, they will not be able to supply.—*Marquette Journal*, 7th.

FROM WASHINGTON,

The Charleston Committee to be Held at Charleston—The Douglas-Slave Interference—Funny Legislation in Virginia—The Admission of Kansas—Pike's Peaks—Postal Railroads.

[Correspondence of the Press and Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, March 17, 1860.

The Democratic politicians of the Northern States are exceedingly exercised about the tariff of hotel charges adopted in the little old nigger town of Charleston. The *Star* of this city remarks:

"Those who go to the Convention relying upon such accommodations as the city will afford, will get literally no accommodations whatever, while they will have to pay an average of at least *ten dollars* per diem for the pretences of accommodation accorded to them.

"The hotel keepers cannot possibly accommodate more than one tenth of the crowd—which will be four or five times as many persons as they usually take care of in busy times with them.

"To attend the Convention without engaging rooms and lodging in advance, will, therefore, be worse than folly on the part of any man; and to secure board and lodging in advance will cost enormously. The best the hotel keepers will do will be to promise to accord food and bedding at from $7 to $10 per day. The feeding to be done, of course, as the guest may be able to elbow his way in the rush to the table—and the lodging—a cot in a room occupied by from ten to two hundred heavy snorers, according to capacity for close packing of mattresses and blankets. The $10 per day to be charged for such accommodations, will not more than half the cost of the brief sojourn there. If board is to be put up one hundred per centum, one's shaving, clothes-brushing, boot-blacking bills, etc., must go up corresspondingly. It will be utterly impossible to have a guest in a Charleston hotel to get privilege of a good cook at a servant of the house for less than fifty cents, as they will be roundly fooled by more guests than they can conveniently wait on."

The Douglasites are in blank despair. It was a part of their programme to import at least 10,000 blowers and strikers, braggarts and bullyers, to create an outside pressure for the Sedition law candidate. But the cunning fire-eaters, who are up to snuff, have indeed the disunion landlords to enact a high protection—in fact a prohibitory tariff against all Squatter Sovereignty imports, which will have the effect to keep all home nine-tenths of the wind instruments Mr. Douglas intended to have in Charleston "blowing" for him. Indeed the Douglasites openly allege that this was the main reason why the charges for boarding and lodging were advanced to such unheard of prices, and great is their indignation thereat.

But there is no remedy, save submitting with the best possible grace to the chivalrous extortions, as the National Central Committee discover, upon examination, that they have no power to change the place of meeting of the National Democratic Convention, it having been fixed at Charleston, by the Cincinnati *Convention*. Douglas' telegraph agents are slightly premature in announcing that the Committee are about to locate the Convention at Baltimore. If it could be changed, it would not be allowed to come farther north than Richmond. There is too much Squatter Sovereignty Plug-Uglyism in Baltimore to suit the purposes of the Disunion rulers of the Democratic party. That city is located too near the free breezes of the North. The Convention will be held in a place that is emblematical of the principles and character of latter-day democracy; a pestilent little hole whose citizens are disunionists, and not a few descendants of tories; a place where the majority have no rights which the minority are bound to respect; where capital *owns* the laborer, and where John C. Calhoun is the patron Saint, and a substitution for Washington and Jefferson in the affections of its inhabitants.

Mr. Popular Sovereignty Democrats, don't you think your man Douglas stands a bright chance of being nominated in this delectable city!

The lower house of the Virginia Legislature has passed the non-intercourse tax-bill by a vote of 74 yeas to 26 nays. The nays are Americans, and the yeas democrats. The bill establishes a system of levying State taxes upon foreign goods, wares and merchandise found in the hands of Virginia merchants. The only effect of this pernicious measure will be to enhance the price of these goods upon the Virginia consumer. It will be simply a bill to clothe in their own backs, the furniture and utensils in their dwellings, the implements and machinery in their plantations, and the grave in which they ride—any thing in fact which distinguishes them from the condition of savages they obtain from the North. Excepting Wheeling, which is largely a Farmer's city, it manufactures nothing, and, what is worse, never will while slave-breeding is the paramount interest. This non-intercourse with the North is a shrewd and suicidal folly that ever passed through the brains of windy Wise. Instead of this tax on merchandise and wares increasing the value of lands and stopping the outflow of emigration, it will depreciate real estate and increase the number of those escaping from the State. If Virginia politicians would develope her resources, retain her white population, and multiply manufactures they must first rid the State of the incubus of slavery, and establish free labor. If they refuse to do this, (mention not what New York is, they must adopt the policy of the founders of the Empire State—*make her free*. They can never enjoy the doubly luxury of slave labor nor be wholly happy with it.

Green of Missouri, is Chairman of the Senate Committee on Territories. He says that he will not report a bill for the admission of Kansas, nor will it be acted on in the Senate, until after the Charleston Convention. He speaks the policy of his party in this regard, who are afraid that the admission or rejection of Kansas, before their Convention is held, would embarrass its action. Green promises to relax his opposition to the measure if a definite action cannot be accomplished. If the Democracy conclude to admit Kansas, it will be coupled with a scheme to place Jefferson Territory under border ruffian rule. There are two plans under advisement. The *State* of Kansas covers the east half of the *Territory of Kansas*. The west half embraces the Pike's Peak gold region, which the miners have organized into what they call Jefferson Territory. One plan of the Democracy is to annex this region to New Mexico, and extend over it the black code of that Territory. The other plan is to make the present Territorial officers of Kansas, with Medary at their head, the officials of the residue of the Territory—thus giving the *seat of government* from Lecompton to Denver City on Cherry Creek.

The first plan—that of annexing Mexico, would, it is contended, bring the Golden Region into the Union as a slave State, as slaveholders under the slave code existing in that Territory, could easily take their negroes with them into the mines and work them there. But it is objected to this, that the rush of free laborers from the Northern States to Pike's Peak, will be so great that the slave code would soon be repealed, and New Mexico itself would be lost to the South. The second plan of shifting the present Seat of government from Kansas to Jefferson Territory is hardly considered by the most favor as it is attended with less hazard, and while it retains the Government of Pike's Peak in the Democratic paper to sail post office, far chance of bringing that mineral country into the Union as a *doughface ally* of slavery like California.

But the Republican House of Representatives will have a word to say before either of these darling projects are realized; and in the meantime the Squatter Sovereigns will claim a voice in the adjustment of their political condition. Acting upon the principles of Popular Sovereignty, as now understood, they proceed to organize a Territorial Government for themselves and elect their own Governor, Judges, Marshals, Secretaries, Attorney-General, Legislature, and local officers, and to levy taxes upon their own property for the support of their Government, who will intervene as their *ferony* as the shoots force Gov. Medary, Marshal Fain, Sheriff Jones, Judge Lecompt, and ruffians Bufford, Clay Pitz, Stringfellow, Woods in, Emory, and their confederate cut-throats! But it will require a Democratic egg to incubate for a few weeks, when we shall see what we shall see.

The Pacific Railroad Committee is hard at work. The preliminary questions have all been disposed of unanimously. The Committee have agreed on the following propositions: 1st, That the country desires a railroad to be built to connect the Western and Pacific States. 2d, That it should be built by a private company and not by the government. 3d, That bonds should be loaned to said company in sufficient amount to induce capitalists to embark in the undertaking. 4th, That Congress will never be able to agree on the route, if only one road shall be built by government aid. 5th, That aid must be granted to two roads—a Central and Southern. 6th, That the Southern road must be commenced on the Mississippi River, somewhere between Memphis and Vicksburg, thence via El Paso to San Diego. 7th, That the Central road must start from the Missouri River at some point between Kansas City and Boon City and thence to the navigable waters of the Sacramento River. 8th, That the loan of bonds should be equal to at least half the total cost of the roads, and may be estimated at $25,000 to $30,000 per mile, or $50,000,000 to each route. 9th, The bonds to be loaned free of interest, and to be secured by a first mortgage on the roads, and to be repaid in services for Government in transporting mails, soldiers, sailors, agents, military munitions, and naval stores to be conveyed at prices not exceeding the regular rates of transportation on first-class Eastern railroads.

Thus far the Committee have agreed unanimously. They differ as to the extent of the land grants to the companies; the names of the corporators; and whether the general Government should aid by pledging an extra large increase of bonds. The point whether the Government should be asked to build the road itself, was also discussed at considerable length, and it is understood there was a strong expression of opinion against it. No definite action, however, was had upon the matter. It will be resumed at their next meeting, which will be held in a day or two.

It will be recollected, initiated the movement. Virginia declines to participate in it, and Mississippi and Alabama approved it, and arranged for the appointment of delegates, but the South Carolina Legislature adjourned without any such action. Although no formal proposition was adopted, the majority incline to the opinion that the Governor of South Carolina should assemble the Legislature of that State to select delegates, and of this we will probably soon be informed.

The New Orleans Excursion.

[Special Correspondence of the Press and Tribune.]

NEW ORLEANS, Thursday morning, March 15, '60.

The Chicago readers of the PRESS AND TRIBUNE have not forgotten the fierce snow storm of Monday morning, whose cold, howling winds piped a chilling good bye to the New Orleans party, whose departure for the "sunny South" was noticed on Tuesday morning. As we passed in front of the city, our sympathies were awakened by the sight of two vessels at anchor near the breakwater, one of which seemed rapidly becoming a wreck, as several sailors were lashed in the rigging, while the angry seas were breaking over the decks. We rode out of the storm somewhere in the vicinity of Urbana, but the chilling winds seemed to cling to us till we reached the Mississippi, for Tuesday night it was uncommonly cold, even for an Northerner.

On Monday we had a most agreeable ride on the Illinois Central Railroad, arriving in Centralia for supper. Mr. Biddle, the Assistant Superintendent of the Illinois Central, did everything in his power to contribute to our enjoyment. B. N. Bice, Esq., Superintendent of the Michigan Central Railroad, very kindly furnished his splendid "Director's car" to the company, and this, with that of the Illinois Central Railroad, gave us ample and most excellent quarters. Tuesday morning at five o'clock we were at Cairo, and repaired from our beds to the spacious saloon of the steamer D. P. Chesney, in waiting to take us down twenty miles to Columbus. We do insist that this little interlude of river navigation "in the all-rail" journey between Chicago and New Orleans, is a decided advantage to the route, and should always remain as it is. Passengers have time to wash and refresh themselves, and enjoy a good breakfast. Such, at least, was our experience, and such, we doubt not, will be the universal testimony of travellers.

On going on board the steamer at Cairo we were at once received with true Southern hospitality and kindness. This was the more gratefull as it was entirely unexpected by the party. Judge Brown, President of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, and a party of ladies and gentlemen, had come up from Jackson, Tennessee, to receive us and bid us a cordial welcome. Never was a more agreeable hour spent in social greeting and unusual good feeling. Besides Judge Brown, we obtained the names of Dr. A. Jackson, of the Mississippi Central Railroad, Dr. R. R. Dashiell, Wm. H. Stevens, W. W. Gates, Esq., Editor of the West Tennessee *Whig*, Dr. J. Fenner, E. B. McClanahan, J. G. Mann, A. S. McClanahan, Capt. J. J. Williams, Superintendent of the road, J. B. Caruthers, T. J. Caruthers, and James Miller, Esq'rs. Capt. C. Latimer, of the steamer Cheney, also accompanied us as far South as Jackson. The ladies of the party gave us a fine illustration of the ease and grace which characterise Southern society.

The sun shone out gloriously on Tuesday morning, and the two parties mingling in most agreeable converse sped rapidly southward, arriving at Jackson at half past eleven. Here our generous hosts had a splendid dinner in waiting, to which all addressed themselves with right hearty zest. The honors of the table over, Dr. Jackson gave a toast complimentary to Chicago which was handsomely responded to by His Honor, Mayor Haines. Short addresses were also made and sentiments proposed by Judge Brown and other gentlemen of Jackson, Judge R. S. Wilson, J. S. Rumsey, and Mr. Bross, of Chicago; Col. Williams, of the Detroit *Advertiser*, Gen. King, of the Milwaukee *Sentinel*, and perhaps some others whose names have at this moment escaped us.

The hosts and the guests seemed alike to be delighted with each other. We have some little experience in the matter of excursions, and can safely say we never saw a party from our goodly city receive a more cordial greeting. Among other little thoughtful attentions, the ladies of Jackson furnished from their gardens the ladies of our party with beautiful boque's, a fact which showed that we were already far away from our Northern homes.

Again the whistle sounded and we were all on board, but we passed at once from the hospitality of our Jackson friends to the care of S. E. Carey, Esq., General Agent of the Mississippi Central Railroad whose attentions to the comfort of our party have been unwearied in our journey to this city. E. D. Frost, Esq., Superintendent, also met us at Canton, and kindly looking for the arrival of settlers from the country to instruct them in the arts and sciences of Christian civilization.

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2. The second reason why we cannot stop the paper going to the aforesaid post office is, there is no paper circulated in said office. We are five copies of the *Western Christian Advocate* going into that county, but not one to that post office. We hope the postmaster has not been robbing the mails to find "incendiary matter."

Is there not some more sensible way of keeping up the ill feeling between the North and South than such foolery as the above? Would it not be better to get some man to go and hide in the fence-corner, and listen when Methodist preachers are coming along, to see if they are not talking to themselves, and when they are, have them arrested, as was recently the case with the Rev. Philip Green? And even should they not be talking to themselves, there is little doubt but, like the Irishman's owl, they would keep up a great thinking.

The Methodist Church in Kentucky.

We take the following from the Maysville *Eagle*:

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Professor O. J. Wood & Co.—Gentlemen: Having undertaken, about a year since, to write you a letter in behalf of efficacy of your hair restorative, I was induced to make application of your hair, which had become quite gray, probably one-third white; my whiskers were of some what the same color. Before I had completed one bottle of your hair restorative, and used it, I soon found it was proving what I had wished. I have used in all about three bottles, and have not another bottle, of which I have used none. I can now certify to the world that the grey or white hair has entirely disappeared, and my hair is now of the dark color I have been accustomed to for years, and my hair has resumed its natural color, and I believe it will remain so. I have used no other hair restorative for years. I am now sixty years old; my good wife is about the same age as myself, has used it with the same success. The above facts I deem due to you for your valuable discovery. I am assured that whoever of the fairer sex, or gentlemen, will not have occasion to contradict my statement. I have resided in this city and vicinity for the last three years, and am known to many every where, and a visiting tourist, any one may call on me at my residence, which is at our service, as I wish to preserve the location of nature in colors as well as mind. I am truly yours, &c. JOHN W. HYDE.

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The Sons of Malta Overhauled.

The Springfield (Mass.) *Republican* turns its attention to the Sons of Malta, and treats them to the following pointed lecture:

As a mere burlesque upon forty-year-grown boys, there is no very serious objection to which of the performances of the Sons of Malta are within the limits of decency. The grotesque dresses, and silly immmeories of the lodge room are of special consequence. It does not harm a man essentially to be mashed as a donkey and to play the part of a donkey, or be tossed in a blanket, or dropped into a tub of wet sponge, or put through a series of imaginary perils and dread discomforts, in order to bring out his pluck. The joke wears over the whole thing quite, and the association dies out when it has increased all the fools in any community. We presume it is wrong to do some young man to be "put through a course of sprouts" in this way for once, that they may be on their guard against stupidity and nonsense for the rest of their mortal lives. If this were all there is in the order, it might be allowed to live its brief life and die unnoticed.

But there is positive mischief and degradation in the thing. We do not profess to discuss its secrets. It has some aside from the mode of initiation. But we know that some of its practices tend to debase all connected with it, to destroy their self-respect. This is the first effect of the ritual of the Sons. When a man is proposed as a candidate, his name lies over a week or two, and he knows that the members busy themselves in hunting up the history of his past life, and if he has been guilty of any peccadilloes or indiscretions they are pretty sure to be found out and made the subject of ridicule for examination, when he is brought blindfold into the lodge. leading questions are put to him that show a familiarity with his history that startles him, and to his alarm and mortification he is induced to confess acts which a man should confess only to his own conscience and his God. Especially if he has been guilty of any indiscretions with the other sex, particular effort is made to bring them out, and in a manner to place vice in a humorous light, and to represent the ruin of female virtue as an admirable practical joke. The man who has been through such a confessional as this, must inevitably feel degraded in the presence of those who have heard and seen his humiliation, or if he stands up under it he does it by a boldness and shamelessness which are evidence of a still more hopeless moral depravity.

There are also in the regalia and appointments of the lodges things that no decent man can contemplate without shame—things positively disgusting and licentious in their tendency. No man of proper self respect, no man of cleanly habits and pure thoughts, no man who honors virtue in woman or true gallantry in man, will allow his name to be used for the purpose of the profanities tolerated in the lodges of the Sons of Malta. On this account many men of character who are entrapped into the lodges never visit them afterwards. And on this account young men who aim at respectability should avoid them altogether. The Sons of Malta are a grand leveling institution; but they level down, not up. They bring decent people into fellowship with the filth of the gutter. Young men who respect themselves, and do not wish to lose that protection to integrity and character, had better save their five dollars and do without the information the sons of Malta can give them. They lose nothing of value by staying out; they may lose a great deal besides their money by going in.

The Tomb of Swedenborg.

In a recent London letter, we find the following paragraph:

A few days ago, I inquired at one of the thousand old book shops for any of Swedenborg's books, and was told by the old man that there was of late a great inquiry for Swedenborg's works, but that they were offered for sale. From thence I went to visit the tomb of the greatest man of learning and piety of whom there is any record. Swedenborg died in London in 1762, and was buried in the vault of the Swedish Lutheran chapel, in Prince's square, Ratcliffe road. It is a quiet, neat little square, not more than eighty yards on a side, and the little chapel, surrounded by two strong iron railings, stands in the middle of the church-yard. Two old Swedes in attendance unlocked the great gates and the door of the chapel, and we entered the prettiest place of worship I remember to have seen. On the northern side wall there is a neat white marble tablet erected to Swedenborg, and the guide pointed out to us the spot where his remains lie in three huge coffins. I learned that the number of visitors to the tomb are yearly increasing, and although his doctrines are not quite in harmony with those of the Lutherans, that nevertheless, his memory was much reverred by this congregation. The house where he had lived was pointed out to a neighborhood, but it is not exactly known, so little notice was taken of him in London, for he lived in great obscurity, and it has been reserved for his imperishable work, which are now attracting the attention of wise men of all lands.

Calling upon Mrs. Sidell.

The New York *Tribune* publishes an extract from a letter written in Washington by a lady, as follows:

"Next we proceeded to Mrs. Senator Slidell's, who is, I believe, the most *recherche* of fashionable ladies. After a process of introduction similar to that already described, we found ourselves in the presence of the lady of the house, and her two daughters. Mrs. S.'s dress consisted of a blue silk, flounced, and bound with white velvet, sleeves open and slashed with lace, and as ornamental comb in her hair. This was the *tout ensemble* of the gay, *distingue* Madam. I judged, from her foreign accent, as well as the vivacity of her manners, that she must be French. A table richly laid with comestibles, next claimed our attention; then came the final leave-taking—still courtesying and winding up by placing our cards upon a silver waiter, handed to us by a servant in livery, when we stepped once more into the open air, and congratulated ourselves that so much had been done."

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

THE Charleston *Mercury* perceives that it will be somewhat difficult to control the Southerners next summer, who have been accustomed to spend the hot months and their money in high latitudes. The *Mercury* is delighted in this that many South Carolinians will be disposed to return to New York, to their "old haunts," regardless of Northern treason and Southern suffering.

THE Petersburg, Va., *Press* terms John Mitchell an "able, honest, outspoken Southern gentleman," who "belongs to us by civil adoption and by the kindly welcome of family connection." John has recently arrived in New York from France. Won't somebody "persecute" him, or at least tread on his coat tail?

THE New York *Post* suggests, for the benefit of the Charleston Convention:

"Let the President at once order the home squadron and every available ship and steamer belonging to the government, to be prepared to sail from different ports, carrying full loads of support in men from every available source, to rout at Charleston on the day previous to the convention, and remain till the business is closed—all the while furnishing bed and board to the faithful!"

The editor of the President's home organ, the Philadelphia Pennsylvanian, insists on "*the identity of Black Republicanism and John Brownism.*" Its idea, as elucidated in his column, is that the whole Republican party approved John Brown's treason and regretted its failure. If he believes this, he ought to be in an asylum for fools. If he doesn't believe it, he ought, for saying it, to be in a house of correction for rogues.—*Louisville Journal.*

THE Rochester *Express* records the death of a daughter of Frederick Douglass. Since her father's absence she had lost her appetite and interest in her occupation, and had gradually sank away and died. She had got the idea firmly fixed in her mind that her father would never come back, and that if he did return he would have to go to prison and execution.

A PROPHET CROW.—Several years since, on a warm Sabbath morning, while the Rev. Dr. B— of a well known fishing town in Massachusetts, was holding forth, a tame crow, which had been taught to utter one expression only, and that a wicked one—flew into the church and alighted on the pulpit, saluted the minister with "G—d d—n ye," whereupon the frightened as well as horror-stricken parson "flew at" and gave the "gentleman in black" a winder that sent him to the floor. Nothing daunted by this, however, the crow was soon on the "stump," and looking up at the reverend gentleman, repeated his salutation with such an emphasis that he took to his heels, and together with his congregation —exempered from the sacred edifice in double quick time. One little old woman, whose seat was in one corner, did not see fit to follow the example of the shepherd or his flock, but firmly kept her position, and upon seeing which, the crow advanced to her, and hopping on to the seat in front of her, again gave vent to his favorite expression; the old woman, not a little astonished at his impudence, and evidently taking him for an evil spirit in the form of a bird, yelled forth at him: "G—d—n you, too!—What you G—d d—n me for?" don't be long in this church!" and giving him a swipe with her umbrella, she cleared the coast, leaving the church to silence and the crow.

SINGLE SHOT CANE.—Because there is not the usual amount of talk with reference to this product in the West, the belief has obtained that it has proved itself another humbug—that the people have given it up. But such is not the fact. Its value and profit as a crop was never held in higher estimation than to-day, and the amount of cash it has saved to the farmers in the West, which has been expended for sugar and syrups, has gone far to relieve them of their financial embarrassments. We do not speak of all localities, but in very many such has been the case, and facts have reached us confirming this assertion from sources which *we cannot gainsay.*—*Weekly Scientific Artisan.*

A SAD SPECTACLE.—A letter from Charlestown, Va., to the Richmond *Dispatch*, tells the following sad tale:

Mrs. Allstone, the eldest sister of Gen. W. Turner, who was slain by John Brown and his associates, was buried here to-day by the side of her brother. She died at Mount Hope Lunatic Asylum, whither she was taken shortly after her brother's death. She never rallied after his murder, but continued to sink until her broken spirit burst its earthly bonds and returned to its Maker. A sister murder to be added to the long list of sorrowful tales.

A FORTUNATE MAN OF LETTERS.—It is said that J. Milton Sanders has disposed of his right to his noted Water Gas Patent for the United States and Territories for $930,000; and has sold his right in Cuba for $200,000. He has now applied for a patent in England and other countries, and if he succeeds he will be the richest man in the United States.

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Financial and Commercial.

MONETARY.

TUESDAY EVENING, March 20, 1860.

The money market during the past week has been quiet and easy. Currency is in good supply, and produce dealers and merchants generally have been liberally accommodated at 10 per cent. per annum.

The market for Eastern exchange has been steady at ¼ per cent. prem., as the selling price at the banks. At the close, however, it is weak at that figure, and on the street it is rather slow sale at ¼ per cent.

The demand for gold.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.—The *Evening Post* of Saturday says:

The money market shows no noticeable change. The supply has been very free during the week, and 6 per cent. has become a common rate. First class paper is 6@7 per cent. Some prime short bills have been done under 6 per cent.

The New York, for Bremen, takes out $148,000 in specie.

FAILURE OF A STOCK BROKER.—The *Post* announces the failure of E. B. Little & Co., as follows:

Great excitement was produced to-day at noon, by the announcement of the failure of E. B. Little & Co., a house which for some time past has taken a prominent part in the operations of the street. The principal business of the house since the prize of New York Central stood at 92, has been the selling of privileges to call for that and other stocks, at one per cent. advance on the market price of the times, for a period of 60 days.

The effect of the failure was a general demand for stock from parties who had sold shares against the privileges of the house. For instance, a holder of a privilege at say 71, had sold the stock at 72, and consequently when the privilege ceases to be good he is short so much stock. The price of New York Central, previous to the suspension of E. B. Little & Co., was 75@75¼, but immediately buyers for large quantities appeared, and as high as 76¼ was paid, but at the close the quotation is 75¾.

Messrs. E. B. Little & Co. are to make a proposition to those interested before the meeting of the Second Board, and it is the impression that a settlement will be effected, as the means of the house, it is supposed, are ample to meet all outstanding obligations.

CINCINNATI MONEY MARKET.—The *Gazette* of yesterday says:

"The money market was in a tolerably comfortable condition on Saturday, the demand did not increase, and is now only moderate, while capital was in better supply, and the regular houses were able to accommodate all who had any claims upon them, while they also took to some extent, outside paper. It may be said, that parties who had good paper to offer, and were willing to sell it at 10 @ 12 per cent., had no trouble in finding purchasers. One of the strongest features which have characterized financial affairs for several weeks past have, in the main, disappeared.

Eastern Exchange was scarcer and firmer, with some dealers, while it was more abundant and in less demand with others. Among the latter sellers have commenced to quote and buy at 1 discount, however, the demand was about equal to the supply, and rates were firm at previous quotations. A limited business was transacted in New Orleans sight, at a buying rate of ¼ prem. selling. No local demand for gold. The receipts are shipped East, by exchange dealers. There was a fair demand for New Orleans bills, with a corresponding supply. We quote first class names at 1 dis. for 30 days, and ¼ @ ¾ for 60 days. Eastern bills were in light supply, and good names were in demand at equal to ¾@10 per cent. We quote:

	BUYING.	SELLING.
New York sight	¼ prem.	¼ prem.
Philadelphia	⅜ "	½ "
Baltimore	⅜ "	½ "
New Orleans	¼ dis.	par.
American Gold	par.	¼ prem.

Western uncurrent funds are steady, at 2@2½ dis. for Illinois and Wisconsin, and 1¼ dis. for Missouri.

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING, March 20, 1860.

WEEKLY REVIEW.—THE WEATHER AND THE CROPS.—The weather during the past week has been delightful, and the farmers throughout the West have been improving the season in sowing their wheat, oats and barley, and in preparing the ground for the corn crop. With regard to spring wheat, it is estimated that fully two-thirds of the crop has been sown, and never before—at least for many years—has the weather been so favorable. The intense heat of the sun has completely thawed out the soil and rendered it thoroughly pliable; while the almost complete absence of rain has enabled agriculturalists to push their work through without hindrance or delay.

The reports with regard to the winter wheat crop are conflicting. In those sections where the seed has been planted deep, it is almost universally good, while in places where it has been carelessly sown and harrowed it is generally poor, and will be a partial failure.

The want of rain is however beginning to create fears that the Western rivers will not hold out long for the purposes of navigation. The Upper Mississippi, which is not yet open to St. Paul, is fast falling, and the merchants of St. Louis are beginning to fear that their trade with the upper country will be curtailed in consequence. The same is true of the Illinois, and in fact to some extent, of all Western rivers.

The movement of produce during the past week has resulted in the following comparative tables of exports and imports:

COMPARATIVE IMPORTS OF LEADING ARTICLES FROM CHICAGO.

	Week ending March 17.	Previous week.	Since Nov. 1, 1859.	Same time, 1858-9.
Flour, bbls	8,561	1,865	88,674	61,671
Wheat, bus	91,356	14,000	1,416,916	1,019,170
Corn, bus	60,000	41,561	1,331,170	313,100
Oats, bus	37,468	13,333	547,849	95,736
Rye, bus	1,000	1,000	20,000	7,000
Barley, bus	3,049	11,372	198,291	61,54
Grass Seed, lbs	205,000	125,000	1,861,000	1,250,000
Potatoes, bus	8,595	4,845	13,661	21,175
Beans, bus		14	14	1,215
Pork, bbls	707	2,507	4,214	7,375
Beef, bbls		1,000	1,000	1,000
Lard, lbs	19,315	389,259	2,734,995	260,300
Tallow, lbs	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Live Hogs, No	2,112	4,149	56,794	15,276
Dressed Hogs, No	1,000	911	40,545	12,000
Cattle, No	2,177	1,000	13,251	13,700
Hides, lbs	29,267	106,409	2,791,915	2,417,504
Coal, bbls	1,000		1,000	1,000
Lumber, feet	170,190	129,140	979,630	800,000
Shingles, No	2,000		3,413,000	2,000,000
Lath, No				20,000
Wool, lbs		11,400	11,500	2,000
Pig Iron, No	776		776	2,000
Bar Iron, tons				
Whisky, bbl	235	215	3,250	2,815
Lard, bbls	1,000	15,000	17,000	6,000
do kegs		425	425	
Hard Coal, bbls	1,700	1,500	30,417	8,333
do ton	1,000		1,000	1,000
do lbs			2,000	
Cheese, boxes	1,000		1,000	600
Butter, lbs	21,963	21,963	247,500	200,000
Eggs, doz	11,250	11,250	67,500	45,000
Apples, bbls	2,012	1,856	7,197	4,320
Peaches, bbls	2,150	100,100	102,250	50,000
Mill Stuffs, lbs	183,500	168,000	3,250,772	1,481,365
Broom Corn, lbs	36,000	41,000	36,000	41,000
Coal, tons	170	230	2,230	2,230

RECEIPTS OF FLOUR AND GRAIN DURING WEEK ENDING MARCH 17, 1860, WITH SOURCES OF SUPP'Y.

	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Oats, bus.	Rye, bus.	Barley, bus.
Lake	300					
Rail	8,261		160,170			
Galena R. R.	2,241	29,840	6,346	19,454	1,161	8,518
Chicago R. R.	1,000	2,000	10,000	2,000		1,000
C. & R. I. R. R.	20	3,000	24,000	3,000	1,000	1,000
C. & M. R. R.	1,000	4,000	24,000	4,000	1,000	1,000
C. & A. R. R.	20	2,000	24,000	2,000		
C. B. & Q. R. R.	1,000	50,516	54,484			
C. & N. W. R. R.	2,631	50,516	33,000	16,000	1,391	1,631
C. & M.						
C. & P.		1,000	1,000			
Plank road		1,000	1,000			
Total	8,561	91,356	60,170	37,468	2,391	8,518
Previous week	1,865	14,000	41,561	13,333	1,000	11,372
Corresp'd'g week, 1859	1,567	51,007	34,315	12,649	200	2,000
Since Jan. 1, '60	88,674	1,416,916	1,331,170	547,849	20,000	198,291
Same time in '59	61,671	1,019,170	313,100	95,736	11,574	64,764

The following are the receipts and shipments for the past twenty-four hours:

	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Oats, bus.	Rye, bus.	Barley, bus.	Grass Seed, lbs.
Cent.							
C. & R. I. R. R.	20	475	2,000				1,000
Galena R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000				
C. & M. R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000				
Northwestern R. R.	1,000	4,000	20	962			1,000
C. & A. R. R.	1,000						
Total	4,020	6,475	4,020	962			2,000
Previous week	1,000	1,000	1,000				
Corresp'd'g week, 1859	1,000	4,000	20	962			1,000
Since Jan. 1, '60	4,020	6,475	4,020	962			2,000
Same time in '59	1,000	4,000	20	962			1,000

	Flour, bbls.	Wheat, bus.	Corn, bus.	Oats, bus.	Rye, bus.	Barley, bus.	High-Wines, bbls.
Canal, Buffalo	1,000	1,000	1,000				
Canal, Albany	1,000	1,000	1,000				
C. & R. I. R. R.	20	475	2,000				
Galena R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000				
C. & M. R. R.	1,000	1,000	1,000				
Northwestern R. R.	1,000	4,000	20	962			
C. & A. R. R.	1,000						
Total	5,020	7,475	6,020	962			17,719
Previous week	2,000	2,000	2,000				
Corresp'd'g week, 1859	1,000	4,000	20	962			1,000
Since Jan. 1, '60	5,020	7,475	6,020	962			17,719
Same time in '59	1,000	4,000	20	962			1,000

The demand for flour to-day was exceedingly light, and the market nominatably dull, with a downward tendency. The sales of Spring extras were therefore limited at $4.90 for good brands, and $4.00 for good Spring Superfine. Wheat opened rather dull, and improved on 'Change; but after the receipt of the New York dispatches it again dropped back and closed quiet and heavy—sales ranging from 96¢@97c for old receipts No. 2 Spring in store, and 98@99c for fresh receipts of the same grade. Corn advanced 1c, and was tolerably active, but closed rather more quiet, with sales of new receipts No. 1 at 44@44½; No. 2, at 43c; and Rejected at 41c. Oats were again in active demand for shipment South, and the outside figures of yesterday were freely paid—sales being made at 32c for old receipts No. 1 in store, and 31@32½c on track. Rye quiet but firm. Barley in better demand and market firm—No. 1 selling at 69c in store, and at 68@70c delivered in bags. Clover Seed quiet. Timothy Seed in active demand, with a scarcity of good and choice parcels, for which a slight advance was paid in one or two instances. There is a large quantity of foul and dirty Timothy on hand, and the demand for it was not so good. Hungarian Grass is heavy, under a large stock and a limited inquiry—fair quality being sold today at 75c. Highwines steady at 19½c. The sale of 500 bbls Mess Pork for delivery on the 15th of April at $17.00, made a few days ago, was not consummated; but to-day the sale was repeated. Lard is quiet but firm at 10½c. Tallow dull. Hides steady. Butter dull.

SHIPPING WHEAT FROM MILWAUKEE TO ST. LOUIS.—We learn from the Milwaukee *Sentinel* of this morning that the schooner *Lansing* has been chartered to take 10,000 bushels wheat from that port to Chicago at 2c, to be shipped to St. Louis from here by rail.

SCHOONER CHARTERED FOR CORN TO BUFFALO.—The schooner *H. L. Lansing*, now at Milwaukee, has been chartered to take corn to Buffalo from this port at 10c.

RECEIPTS OF BREADSTUFFS AT NEW YORK.—H. D. Walbridge & Co.'s Circular, of date New York, Thursday morning, March 15th, 1860, says that "the receipts of flour for the past week are in excess of the previous one by 14,000 bbls. On wheat, 1,840 bu bushels, against none last week. The exports for the week of breadstuffs, is an advance of last week, some 6,000 bbls flour. In wheat, a decrease of 2,000 bu. In corn, an increase of only 600 bu. From the 1st January to this date, as compared with 1859, we exported as follows:

	1859.	1860.	Excess.
Flour, bbls	1,012,000	1,112,000	100,000
Wheat, bu	17,340	117,920	100,580
Corn, bu	1,000,000	39,976	960,024

MILWAUKEE—March 19—Receipts by railroad for the twenty-four hours ending noon to-day include

Flour, bbls	644
Wheat, bu	10,566
Corn, bu	1,000
Barley, bu	571

The flour market was at a stand to-day, the continued depression in this article at New York; frightening buyers out of the market. No sales could have been made, except at a material reduction from the week's prices, but we did not hear of any offering at lower figures.

Wheat was also extremely dull, and the market closed with a downward tendency. No. 1 was held nominally at $1 in store, and No. 2 at 95c. A few small lots of No. 1 sold at $1.01 delivered, but towards the close there were no buyers at this price. Club and extra for milling ranged from $1.05 to $1.08—a decline of 1c. The sales of wheat were smaller than for any day during the past two weeks.

Coarse grains were dull. Oats sold at 32c delivered; shelled Corn at 51c; and Barley at 62 @75c for No. 2 to good No. 1. Timothy Seed firm at $2.65@2.75 for ordinary to prime. Hides steady.

DETROIT—March 19.—Our market, as is usual on Monday, is generally quiet. Flour, wheat, and most articles of produce have undergone no change. Operators are waiting with some anxiety for the market at the seaboard to become more settled. Cotton has fluctuated, declining the extreme figure on the street. Clover Seed is a shade firmer, farmers firmly refusing to part with their lots under $4. Timothy very strike is extending, and now nearly every manufacturing town in Massachusetts is more or less affected.

NEW ORLEANS FLOUR AND GRAIN MARKET, March 14.—The *N. O. Price Current* of the 14th has the following:

Flour—In our last report we noticed an easier market for flour, the result of a light demand. Superfine selling mostly at $5.50, and Extra at $5.50@7 up to $7.50 per bbl for good to choice brands. Since then the market has worn an inactive and heavy appearance with sales of barely 2,000 bbls on Saturday and Monday together at $5.50@6.00 for small lots of Superfine, and $6.75@7.25 for choice Extra with some little Fine at $5 per bbl. Yesterday, about 1,800 bbls were sold, including 600 bbls Superfine and 900 bbls Extra at ——. To-day the sale of 500 bbls Mess Pork for delivery on the 15th of April at $17.00, made a few days ago, was not consummated; but to-day the sale was repeated. Lard is quiet but firm at 10½c. Tallow dull. Hides steady. Butter dull.

Shipping Wheat from Milwaukee to St. Louis